

THE BALKAN EXPRESS

Noted Train Operating Between Berlin and Constantinople—Scenes In Serbia and Other Countries.

London, Aug. 21.—(Correspondence to The Associated Press.)—An American who recently made the journey from Berlin to Constantinople on the celebrated Balkan express writes the following letter of the trip to the London Times:

"Twice a week a train of seven cars pulls into Berlin. It is labeled in foot-high letters throughout all its length 'Balkan Express.' This is the lauded Berlin-Constantinople express, which conveys military officers and officials to and from the Turkish capital.

"The obtaining of a permit to travel on the Balkan express is a matter of extreme difficulty. Every passenger, after a thorough examination, is provided with a train ticket like a passport, which in fact it really is. It bears the portrait of the traveler and all particulars of use to the police and the military. These particulars are written in German and Turkish. The train is a Turkish train when it is in Ottoman territory, but immediately it leaves it becomes a German train. All the train attendants are German.

"With characteristic thoroughness the Teuton has effaced all the notices that were printed in English or French. For instance, the notices as to hot air for the heaters which hitherto were printed in English, French and German, have been altered, and English and French being blacked out.

Commissioners' Notice.

ESTATE OF ADELIA LAPOINTE.
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the district of Caledonia, commissioners to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Adelia Lapointe, late of St. Johnsbury, Vt., in said district, deceased, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the store of B. A. Farnham, in the town of St. Johnsbury, in said district, on the 22nd day of September, and 4th day of January next, from 10 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., on each of said days and that six months from the 8th day of August, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at St. Johnsbury, this 2nd day of September, A. D. 1916.
GEO. H. MORRILL,
BERT A. FARNHAM,
Commissioners.

Notice of Allowance of Account.

ESTATE OF HARRIET B. FRENCH.
STATE OF VERMONT, District of Caledonia, ss.
The Honorable Probate Court for the District aforesaid: To all persons interested in the estate of Harriet B. French, late of St. Johnsbury in said District, deceased, greeting:

Whereas, said Court has assigned the 23rd day of September next for examining and allowing the account of the Executor of the estate of said deceased and for a decree of the residue of said estate to the lawful claimants of the same, and ordered that public notice thereof be given to all persons interested in said estate by publishing this order three weeks successively previous to the day assigned, in the Caledonian, a newspaper published at St. Johnsbury, in said District.

Therefore, you are hereby notified to appear at the Probate Office in St. Johnsbury, in said District, on the day assigned, then and there to contest the allowance of said account if you see cause, and to establish your right as heirs, legatees and lawful claimants to said residue.

Given under my hand, this 8th day of September, A. D. 1916.
WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

and a Turkish translation added. All through the train there are notices warning the travelers as to talking of military matters and suggesting that spies are everywhere.

"As the train passes through the various countries along the route the populace is immensely interested. The stops are short, none longer than 20 minutes; at Dresden only seven minutes are allowed. Passengers may not leave the station, but are expected to keep to the platform. For the most part the travelers are German and Austrian officers and officials, but a few Turks use the train for journeys as far as Berlin, where now the Turkish war has been in the streets.

"Running through Serbia the most impressive signs of the German occupation were the encampments of the troops alongside the permanent way. There are huge notices up at all stations warning the inhabitants to keep away from the railway. No one is allowed on the platforms because the whole country is still infected with typhus, and there has to be the most rigorous supervision for this reason. All along the line may be seen the trenches and the rusty barbed wire entanglements that tell of the fighting months ago. At each little fortified encampment German soldiers have planted vegetable gardens over which may be read the legend, 'Kriegsgarten' (War Garden). There were no signs of their having planted any wheat or grain.

"Through Serbia nearly all the bridges of any size had been destroyed, at least partially. After whole spans had been blown out. In many cases the Germans had replaced these, moving them bodily to their old positions. In some of the other bridges, where the gardens and way were so badly damaged as to defy repair temporary bridges on wooden trestles had been built. These structures may serve during the summer season, but they could not stand over a moderate flood. The work, therefore, still goes on, and in time the old bridges will be reconstructed.

"A whole day is spent in the journey through Bulgaria.

"Along the whole line from Berlin to Constantinople and even down into Syria there are thousands of Belgian railway cars. These are easily recognizable, for they still have the Belgian marks on them. To these the Imperial cipher and the eagle have been added. Troops are on the move in Bulgaria, as elsewhere, but they seem to be mostly away from the line of the Balkans. There is not the briskeness that is evident immediately one enters Turkish territory. At Adrianople there are signs of great activity."

"The embargo on freight was lifted at the local freight office Monday morning, pending further proceedings on the strike situation following the recent legislation enacted by congress. The traffic commenced very slowly, but little freight coming in during the day. It was expected that a rush would follow the lifting of the embargo, but the amount being brought in for shipment was not even up to the regular standard and was cleaned up before the time for closing came at 4 p. m. The day being a legal holiday, the employees at the freight office and in the sheds received an hour off.

McINDOE FALLS

(J. D. Nichols, Correspondent.)
Henry Bell, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bell, fell from a small load of hay last Saturday and broke his arm. He was taken to St. Johnsbury and Dr. Allen set the broken bone. Sheldon Stedman is the guest of his cousin, Horace Gleason.

Miss Ruth Blake of Wellesley, Mass., called on Miss Martha Gleason one day last week.

Mr. Cameron, our former academy professor, and his brother-in-law, Mr. Hagar of Rhode Island, were at Charles Bell's the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurd of Burlington are boarding at Mrs. Lyon's. Mr. Hurd works for J. H. Stuart at the garage.

The young people repeated their play at Barnet last Thursday evening and added \$30 to the alumni treasury.

Miss Hooper of Nebraska, field secretary of C. E., gave a very interesting talk at the Sunday evening meeting.

The Ladies' Aid met at the vestry Wednesday afternoon for work.

Mrs. H. R. Kellogg and Miss Kellogg have been visiting relatives at Hardwick for some time, and Mr. Kellogg joined them Friday for a week's stay.

Quite a number from here attended the Old Home gathering at North Monroe last Saturday.

Miss Freda Carr of Newport has been the guest of Miss Edith Bell several days, recently.

Miss Alice Moore visited her sister and attended the community Chautauqua at Woodsville last week. Mrs. C. B. Edgerton was also the guest of Mrs. Chase.

Miss Sessie and Master Clarence Stuart of Barre have been visiting their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Welch.

Miss Lucy Buffum and Beryl Stevens visited relatives at Franconia and Littleton, N. H., last week, returning home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Nichols and son returned Thursday from a week's vacation spent at Lunenburg.

Mrs. Wright of Springfield, Mass., has been spending several days with her father, Hiram Miles.

Miss Adelaide Belle-Chambers of New York came to Mr. Van Dyke's Friday. Saturday noon she left with her aunt, Mrs. Charles VerNooy, Mrs. Howard Coles and Miss Charlotte for New York.

Mrs. Arch Miller of Passumpsic was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Ira Colby, Saturday.

George Mayo and Roy have returned from a several days' stay in Boston.

In spite of the weather, Miss Luvia Mann had a very good attendance at her entertainment Monday evening.

—Work on the Armory is rapidly moving along. Many masons have been engaged, and are now employed on the brick work that has been begun. The basement of the building is nearly completed and the brick dividing walls of the cellar have been erected. The erection of the brick walls at the sides and back of the building are under way.

—Governor Charles W. Gates arrived in St. Johnsbury last evening by automobile, and stopped over night at the St. Johnsbury house.

SOUTH WHEELOCK

Surprise Party at Old Red School House for George Caswell.

(Mrs. Lucy E. Weed, Correspondent.)
A. C. Pillsbury visited his brother in Lowell, Mass., last week and enroute stopped off at the Weirs to attend the reunion of his regiment.

Mrs. John Lawrence and two children of Orleans visited her brother, Justin Heath, last week.

Fred Pillsbury returned last Monday from Barre, where he had been visiting his sister.

Fred Darling and wife motored to White River last Saturday.

About 40 friends and neighbors gathered at the Old Red schoolhouse and for George Caswell to come up to the hall to call for a dance. It being Mr. Caswell's birthday a nice little surprise had been planned.

Dancing was enjoyed and cake, sandwiches, ice cream and coffee were served by the ladies. Dancing was enjoyed until the early hours and all left wishing Mr. Caswell many more happy birthdays.

Nelson Pillsbury and bride spent Sunday at Justin Heath's, also with Gen. Peak and wife.

Weed & Hoffman began sawing out Parker & Young's stock of logs last Monday.

T. Rexford and wife are visiting friends in Canada and attending the Sherbrooke fair.

G. R. Goss and wife, Frank Goss and family and Will Goss and family visited at J. P. Rock's, last Sunday.

Mrs. Addie Winn of Claremont, N. H., is stopping at William Peak's, helping care for her mother, who is very low.

George Hall and wife are working at Martin Simon's.

Mrs. V. R. Weed is visiting in St. Johnsbury this week.

Dave McHarg of Lyndonville is at A. E. Weed's running the saw at the mill.

Frank Burroughs and wife of Stanard visited at William Peak's last Sunday.

Mrs. William Peak is spending the week with friends in St. Johnsbury.

Remember the fair to be held at the Old Red schoolhouse in the near future and be getting the calf and colt ready to bring and get a good supply of vegetables, canned goods, fancy work and poultry read.

SHEFFIELD.

(Mrs. D. S. Roberts, Correspondent.)
Mrs. Carrie Elliott is a very little better. She has a trained nurse from St. Johnsbury caring for her.

George L. Blackford and family and Mrs. Nettie Fitzpatrick spent Sunday in Waterford.

Mrs. Thomas McPlayer is very sick. Mr. and Mrs. Will Peck and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gochee are each happy parents of new sons.

Ray Wood and family and George Wood were visitors at A. J. Roberts' in St. Johnsbury Sunday.

Mrs. Oliver Dwyer and Mrs. Anna Young spent several days in St. Johnsbury last week.

Merton Russell is doing nicely at Brightbrook hospital and hopes soon to be brought home.

Miss Mary Calderwood and Roy Gray of Wheelock were married Saturday evening, Sept. 2.

Mrs. Arthur Allard has returned from a visit in Canada.

Artur Bates had a call from his parents from Derby Sunday.

Mrs. S. A. Jones and daughter, Doris, were in St. Johnsbury over Sunday.

Harlow Eastman has finished work for H. E. Davis and moved into the John Woodman house.

PEACHAM

(Mrs. W. S. Sanborn, Correspondent.)
John Stevenson, who has been stopping for some time with his brother, Tom, at Barnet, is now at James Stevenson's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Esden visited at Thetford part of last week.

Frank Powers and family were at Lyndonville, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blair were visitors at Florin Churchville's Sunday, and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cowan at E. D. Somer's at Barnet.

Warren Farrington is scamping at Joe's Pond.

Archie Craig is visiting relatives at Hampton, N. H.

Roy Courten, who has been for some time at Washington, D. C., came home the last of the week.

A glom was cast over the community on Monday afternoon by the death of Mrs. Edward Moore, who had been ill only a few days.

Miss Rose Davis has finished work for Mrs. George Gile at West Danville.

NEWARK.

(Porter Wallace, Correspondent.)
The Mission circle will meet with Mrs. D. W. King for dinner Wednesday, September 13.

Miss Bradley of Concord is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Belle Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Warburton and daughter of Nashua, N. H., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ellis.

G. E. Moulton has been quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Washbourne are visiting at Derby.

Mrs. Kidder of Lancaster has been spending a few days with Mrs. H. Mosher.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rice and daughter, Oorothy, have been visiting at C. E. Ball's.

Camp Winneshewauka News

The regular camp season closed Thursday, the 31st, but a number of girls are remaining for a part or all of September. On Monday night prior to the departure of the girls the second annual banquet was held. There were clever speeches and excellent music by the girls.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis of Hyde Park, Mass., motored to camp on Tuesday, remaining until Thursday when they left via various points of interest in the White Mountains for their home, accompanied by their daughters, who have spent the summer in camp.

Dr. L. S. Rau of Lawrence, Long Island, spent Friday at camp visiting his daughter, who returned to New York with him.

EAST CONCORD

Death of Mrs. Dora (Smith) Howland at Lancaster, N. H.

(Mrs. J. I. Folson, Correspondent.)
Mrs. Dora (Smith) Howland, who passed away at her home in Lancaster, N. H., Monday, August 28, was born in Lunenburg, December 27, 1872, the second child of a family of eight born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Smith.

All of her early life was spent in this town. On November 18, 1895, she united marriage with Herbert E. Howland of East Burke and made her home there for the first seven years of her married life. Eleven years ago they moved to Lancaster which has since been their home. About four years ago her health began to fail and she has been under medical treatment at intervals since, although at the last she was only sick about one week.

Her disease took the acute form of Bright's disease and she, realizing the end was near, made all arrangements, which were carried out as she wished. Her only regret was to leave her husband and son who needed her so much.

Mrs. Howland was a woman who will be greatly missed in her community, being a sincere Christian. She united with the Congregational church several years ago and for which she was a great worker. She was also a member of the W. R. C. and was very much interested in the W. C. T. U., having the flower mission under her charge for several years.

She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, one son, Abner, about five years old, a father and stepmother, two sisters, Mrs. Lavina Alba of Boston and Mrs. Zilpha Kline of Pittsfield, three brothers, Sheldon Smith of New York, Herman of Boston, and Almond of South Lunenburg. The funeral was held from his home Wednesday afternoon, her pastor, Rev. C. W. Willson, officiating. Her three brothers and Henry King acted as bearers. The crowded house and profusion of beautiful flowers showed the high esteem in which she was held by all. The interment was in Summer street cemetery, at Lancaster.

Agnes Fisher returned Saturday from Sandy Hook, Conn., where she has been visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dodge are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Guy and Earl Isham visited their grandmother, Mrs. Frank Seace, at Meadows, N. H., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smith and son, Dan, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Alba and child of Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Smith of New York have been guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Smith, part of last week.

Alphonse Harriman has been a business visitor in New Hampshire the past week.

Mrs. Augustus Grant and daughter, Helen, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stannard in Littleton from Friday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Brown and children and Mrs. D. C. Isham and daughter, returned Friday from a week's visit with relatives in Concord, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. George Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wheeler, Philip Bemis and Annie Hoyt from Windsor and Mr. and Mrs. George Boutwell of St. Johnsbury were Sunday guests of Mrs. Dora Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fisher were visiting friends at Miles pond, Sunday.

FOREIGN FOOT WEAR.

An Exhibit From Many Countries Shown at the Museum.

One of the very important considerations of those who are trying to develop the greatest efficiency of workers is the comfort of the feet. Probably no organ of the body has been so much abused by the fashion of its dress as has the foot. All through history of civilization, almost the entire human race have squeezed their feet into an unyielding case of hard leather never as large as the foot itself when resting on the ground, and with a high appendage called the heel, from which have come corns and bunions and all sorts of discomforts. Happily orthopedic shoes and other makes with broad toes and low, common sense heels are finding favor with our educated classes and those who desire to do good work.

An interesting exhibit is now open at the Fairbanks Museum of the footwear of foreign nations, collected from the various cases. In the warmer countries, sandals and slippers are very commonly used. These are made of a variety of materials, as wood, leather, felt, cloth and straw.

Chinese shoes are made of cloth and are always very porous, absorbing water readily. When the weather is cold these are not comfortable as they keep the feet chilled all the time. A kind of oiled boots are designed to keep out the dampness, but on account of the expense, their use is restricted to a very few. The heavy sole and broad, blunt toe are characteristic of the Chinese shoes.

The Japanese and Chinese are fast giving up the custom of binding the feet with cruel torture when young, to enable the high-class women to wear the tiny shoes, formerly a mark of aristocracy. The working classes of Japanese wear a straw sandal, or "Uwa zari," with a short cloth sock, the "tabi," having a divided toe to allow the more secure fastening of the sandal.

Most dainty are the red kid slippers worn by Brazilian women, and the exquisitely embroidered slippers of the high class Turkish and Egyptian women.

One of the most striking types in the collection is the high boots of the sheik's or chiefs. They are of bright red leather and have a much-curved sole and very tapering, pointed toe.

Among the unique kinds of sandals are the curious "guaraches" of the people of Cuadala, Mexico. They have broad, flat soles and are laced across the body of the foot with a white leather thong.

The wooden "sabots" of the Dutch and French peasants always attract attention and arouse interest in the wearers. Both sexes and even the little children wear these heavy clogs. Their one recommendation is they are durable. They are often made by their wearers.

Every traveler knows how the differences in footwear tells of the individuality of the foreign peoples who wear them.

MOROS PROSPEROUS

Are Preserving Order and Protecting Life Since Withdrawal of the American Troops.

Manila, Aug. 20.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Misgivings felt several years ago when all American troops were withdrawn from Mindanao and Sulu, home of the Moros, the only Mohammedans in the Philippines, have been proved to be baseless by the subsequent history of the new region. In that region, where five years ago, fear of the Moro and his lust for blood made the life of the foreigner in the Moro country one of constant worry and apprehension, today there is peace and the beginnings of a prosperity the like of which would have seemed a fool's dream in 1912.

The withdrawal of American troops and their substitution by companies of Philippine constabulary, was begun soon after the arrival of Governor General Harrison. The work of conciliating the Moro was hastened by the policies of Frank Carpenter, former executive secretary of the Philippine government, named governor of Mindanao and Sulu, soon after Mr. Harrison's arrival here. Mr. Carpenter was the first civilian governor of the region, succeeding General Pershing, the last governor under the military regime.

The task of Governor Carpenter and his assistants had been a hard one—a long uphill struggle against recalcitrant and superstitious people who have always fought any attempt to change their methods of life. Outlawry has always been a factor of the Mindanao situation and the frequent bands of outlaws gave the Moros a nucleus around which they could rally for insurrection or revolt. But little by little outlawry has been stamped out. One by one, or in batches of two or three, guns and rifles hidden away in forest homes and mountain huts, have been turned in. Here and there school houses have sprung up, to attract to them Moro children whose parents, at first suspicious and unfriendly, have finally ended by moving their families to the settlement where the schools were located, and giving up the nomadic life which has been a Moro tradition for centuries and which has been the worst foe of Moro prosperity.

Sulu archipelago and Jolo island, for years the only hot-bed of outlawry in Mindanao, can now claim to have seen the end of years of outlawry and bush-whacking. To the man who knows the Jolo of five years ago, to the soldier whose recollection of Jolo is a memory of sleepless nights and anxious days when the slightest noise behind his back meant the possibility of an attack by a murderous Moro or one made mad by Mohammedan fanaticism, the achievement seems incredible. But the thing has been done and Colonel Peter E. Traub of the constabulary (a lieutenant-colonel in the regular army, on detached duty with the constabulary) has made the new era of Sulu peace and order, a matter of official record in an order commending the constabulary of Minanao and Sulu.

The order follows:

"The District Chief announces to the District in general orders the fact that in the province of Sulu there is not a single known outlaw at large—all have been either killed, captured or have surrendered.

"When it is realized that this is the first time in the history of the Philippine islands that such a statement could be truthfully made its importance becomes apparent. The whole Sulu Archipelago is in a state of law, order and peaceful control.

"In October, 1914, when the undersigned assumed charge of this district outlawry was rampant in Sulu and it was a place shunned by peaceful travelers; but with the establishment of stations in the heart of the affected region and with the spirit of the Sulu Constabulary has invariably displayed, every officer and man regardless of hardship and privation, regardless of danger and death, did his full duty toward the government, without malice toward the misguided creatures who with their progenitors had made the name of Sulu a by-word in the annals of these islands.

"In the short space of 21 months 413 outlaws were killed, captured or forced to surrender, 197 firearms were captured or surrendered and 500 blade weapons were captured or surrendered. This was not accomplished without loss to our brave men, of whom 10 were killed or died of wounds and 12 were wounded and recovered. The greatest accomplishment of all, however, is that these things were done with a minimum of hatred and heart burn on the part of the population, which in gradually increasing numbers came to help us in our work of rooting out the lawless who were preying on the law-abiding, until now all the people, realizing the motives that actuate us in our work, are heart and soul with us. It remains for the Sulu Constabulary so to conduct themselves that confidence in their motives will keep on increasing and so that the various departments of government—health, education, public works and other activities—will find the preparation of the soil by the Constabulary fruitful in their future endeavors for the benefit of the people."

WEST WATERFORD.

(Mrs. E. A. Blodgett, Correspondent.)
Mr. and Mrs. Page from East St. Johnsbury visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hovey Tuesday.

George Worrell's little girl broke her arm Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cushman are away visiting for a few days.

CALL MEETING OF B. & M. STOCKHOLDERS FOR SEPT. 19

Boston, Sept. 5.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Boston & Maine railroad to be held September 19 was called by the directors today. The call was voted in response to a request from representatives of the minority interests who had announced their objections to the action of the directors in consenting to a receivership at a time when it was stated that the road was enjoying its greatest prosperity.

HELD IN \$5,000

Daniel Pilbin of Elmore Charged With Assault With Intent to Kill.

Hyde Park, Sept. 5.—Daniel Pilbin of Elmore, charged with assault with intent to kill, was given a hearing before Justice Lafountain and was held for action of the grand jury in the sum of \$5,000. Being unable to furnish bail he is now in jail. Charles Pilbin, charged with attacking Wilson Vigeant the same evening, was released under \$500 bail.

Stole Hides From C. V. St. Albans, Sept. 5.—Napoleon Murray and Louis Gardner, Jr., who recently were found guilty of the larceny of hides from the Central Vermont Railway company, have been sentenced by Judge N. N. Post of the city court to serve not less than four nor more than six months in the house of correction.

—O. D. Adams, proprietor of the New Method laundry, recently entertained his employees at his pleasant home, 15 Summer street, this being the regular annual festive evening which he gives to them. There were 30 present, including every employee in the laundry. The entertainment consisted of cards and other games. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

HOME COMFORT

Requires that CERTAIN CONVENENCES shall be supplied. One of these conveniences is an EXTENSION SET on the telephone you now have.

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